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## Update 12-07-2019

On December 6, 2019, at about 9:22 AM, a westbound pickup truck operated by Jacob Anderson, 19, Jackson, WI, crossed over the centerline and collided with an eastbound SUV operated by Charles Schultz, 66, Juneau, WI. Anderson received minor injuries, but was transported by EMS for further medical evaluation. Schultz was not restrained in the vehicle and was found unresponsive by emergency responders trapped inside the vehicle. He was extricated through a window so lifesaving attempts could be performed but was later pronounced dead while awaiting transfer to a medical helicopter at the hospital.

The crash remains under investigation, but inattentive driving due to drowsiness and lack of seatbelt use are factors in the cause and seriousness of the crash. STH 33 was closed from the time of the crash until approximately 12:30 PM to allow for crash cleanup and the investigation.

## **FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH**

The Dodge County Sheriff's Office is currently on the scene of a fatal traffic crash, assisting the Township of Beaver Dam Police Department. State Highway (STH) 33 remains closed between County Highway A and Thompson Road and is expected to remain closed until at least 12:00 PM today.

At about 9:22 AM on December 6, 2019, numerous 911 calls were received reporting a head-on traffic crash on STH 33 near Hidden Valley Drive, in the Township of Beaver Dam. This location is about 2 ½ miles east of the City Of Beaver Dam.

Upon arrival, emergency responders removed a male driver who was trapped inside his vehicle and immediately began CPR and other lifesaving attempts. That man was transported by EMS to meet with a medical helicopter, but was pronounced dead prior to being transferred to the helicopter. There were no other occupants in that vehicle.

The driver of the other vehicle was transported with non-life threatening injuries to an area hospital.

The crash remains under investigation by the Township of Beaver Dam Police Department, with the assistance of the Dodge County Sheriff's Office and Wisconsin State Patrol. Also assisting with the incident were the Beaver Dam Fire and EMS, UW

Med Flight, and DCERT, as well as the Dodge County Highway Department for road closure. No names will be released at this time, and the crash remains under investigation.
Questions may be directed to Sheriff Dale J Schmidt. ###